

## **Minutes of the Judiciary and Law Enforcement Committee - April 11, 2003**

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 a.m. by Chair Stamsta. Supervisor Swan led the committee in the "Pledge of Allegiance".

**Present:** Chair Duane Stamsta, County Board Supervisors County Board Supervisors Kathleen Cummings, Dawn Fanfelle, Keith Harenda, Joseph LaPorte, Mareth Kipp, David Swan

**Staff Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Dave Krahn, Legis.Associate Sandra Meisenheimer

**Also Present:** Sheriff Dan Trawicki, Jail Administrator Mike Giese, Deputy Inspector Steve Marks, Captain Eric Severson, DOA Senior Financial Analyst Mike Baniel, Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator Jim Malueg, County Board Supervisor Duane Paulson, Chairman Jim Dwyer

### **Review of Jail Population Statistics**

Trawicki and Giese were present. Giese distributed statistics for YTD 2002 as well as YTD 2003. He began with a review of 2002. The Average Daily Populations (ADP) were: Main Jail – 337, Huber Facility – 264, Electronic Monitoring – 11, Municipal Commitments – 6, and ADP Total – 612. There was a total of 123,147 bed days for 2002. Giese went on to review supporting data for 2002, such as Daily Population Statistics, Admissions, Juvenile Incarceration Statistics, and Average Daily Population by Offense Status, Sex and Race, and Length of Stay in Facilities.

Fanfelle asked about tracking recidivism. Giese said before that can happen we have to establish what recidivism is and set up the boundaries, such as are they repeat offenders in our system, were they arrested here and 6 months later arrested in Washington County, etc. Also, unless there is a conviction, there won't be any records from other jurisdictions. Trawicki stated a big part of the Collaborating Council that he and Giese are involved in is basically reviewing all the statistics of the jail, determining how best to utilize what they have, and how to prevent the people who are there from coming back. He stated they will in some way look at all of those issues.

Giese continued with YTD 2003. The Average Daily Populations (ADP) were: Main Jail – 326, Huber Facility – 258, Electronic Monitoring – 10, Municipal Commitments – 7, and ADP Total – 594. Total bed days was 29,369 through March of 2003. Giese reviewed supporting data for 2003, which included Daily Population Statistics, Admissions, Juvenile Incarceration Statistics, and Bed Days Used by Waukesha County Municipalities, as well as 20 pages of information on monthly ADP, general statistics, and sentencing/charging summaries for all of the facilities.

### **Discuss Correspondence Regarding the Waukesha Work Release Center 2003 Annual Inspection Report**

Giese stated the Huber Facility and the Main Jail are inspected once a year according to State Statute requirements. The inspection is conducted by the Regional Jail Inspector who works for the Department of Corrections. The work-release center is measured against the different administrative codes because it is an unlocked facility versus a locked facility (Main Jail). There are different standards under that code. A summary of progress from the previous year is always provided which might include new programs and initiatives, repairs or things done to improve the facility, and anything done to enhance security or operational efficiency.

Stamsta asked have you looked into day reporting? Giese said that is something the Collaborating Council will be looking into. He stated "day reporting" goes far deeper than just reporting somewhere. A place to report would require resources and program initiatives at the site.

### **Presentation on Metro Drug Enforcement Unit**

Severson said the general mission of the drug unit is to focus on drug dealers and manufacturers within Waukesha County. They do not focus necessarily on possession charges but rather the distribution and manufacturing issues. Their staff consists of 13 sworn officers, 2 part-time administrative assistants who do the clerical work, and one volunteer who spends 20-30 hours per week through the RSVP program. His role is to provide computer technology capability. He does a lot of the photography, helps with digital imaging, prepares search warrant presentations, and helps coordinate the civil air patrol and other aviation resources that are used on a day to day basis. They feel fortunate to have him. Their current staff includes 6 members from the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department, 3 officers from the City of Waukesha Police Department, and one officer each from New Berlin, Menomonee Falls, Brookfield, and Muskego. While many things they do in terms of investigations can be done by an individual, a lot of what is done requires a group effort, and that is the reason for having a task force in place. They also need to work closely not only with other agencies within Waukesha County but also agencies outside of the county. They currently have one of their detectives assigned to the DEA Task Force in the Milwaukee office. His role is to provide DEA with the resources that Waukesha County has and also to work on larger cases. Other agencies they work closely with are the DNE (Department of Narcotics Enforcement), which is a State agency, the U. S. Attorney's office, and the Internal Revenue Service. Severson went on to explain current drug trends. Marijuana has the largest volume, cocaine is second, and now ecstasy is emerging as a drug trend.

Severson stated they spend a significant amount of energy conducting training and law enforcement in-services. Last year they put on 40 different presentations to law enforcement, school administrators, teachers, parents, and service organizations. They feel it is an important part of their job to educate people on drug enforcement and what the emerging drug trends are. Swan stated he is happy to hear about the education that goes on in the schools. To Swan's question about goals, Severson said their goals are to make it as hard as possible for drug traffickers and drug dealers to work in this county. He stated if the Metro Drug Unit did not exist, no one in Waukesha County would be targeting drug dealers. There is no coordinated effort outside of the Metro Drug Unit anywhere in the county that deals with drug dealers.

Harenda asked what is the age range of the drug dealers out there? Severson said the typical dealer is anywhere between 16 to 55 years. The majority however are 16 to the mid-twenties. Harenda asked are there any programs for the teenagers in order to point out the drawbacks of drugs? Severson said one of the best things is having the School Resource Officers in the schools because they are developing relationships with the students. Trawicki said to expand any program beyond what it currently is, be it through Metro or School Resource or DARE, would require manpower.

Dwyer asked what can seized assets be used for? Trawicki stated it is pretty limited as to what seized money can be used for. There are very clear guidelines on asset forfeiture money. It can only be used to enhance your operations, i.e. purchasing equipment. It cannot be used to supplant a budget.

### **Intent to Apply for Homeland Security Equipment Grant by Emergency Management Office**

Malueg reviewed the grant in the amount of \$249,000+ that has been applied for to enhance security and build capabilities of first responder agencies to respond to incidents of terrorism at the local level. There is no local match required. This is 100% federal funding for the purchase of specialized equipment.

### **Update on Criminal Justice Collaborating Council**

Krahn stated the Executive Committee of the County Board will be getting an in-depth presentation from Chief Judge Foster, Clerk of Courts Evenson and Financial Analyst Thelke. All of the sub-committees have had meetings. The Programs and Alternatives Committee, as well as the Executive Committee, are looking at the requirements, job duties and responsibilities for the jail screeners. Overall progress is being made.

Stamsta asked about the Judiciary Committee receiving the minutes of all of the sub-committees as it would be a good way to keep apprised. Krahn said he would look into it. Stamsta said he was appointed to the Jail Utilization Committee of the Council. Their first meeting was on April 8. It basically was an organization and informational meeting.

### **Legislative Update**

Krahn distributed an update of legislation relating to the Judiciary Committee. He reviewed AB 61, which establishes a funding mechanism for the reimbursement of costs related to providing enhanced wireless 911 emergency phone service. The bill has been approved by the assembly and is currently assigned to a senate committee. Regarding SB 51, which permits circuit and municipal courts to suspend the operating privilege of any persons solely because the person has not paid a forfeiture imposed for an ordinance violation unrelated to the operation of a motor vehicle, there was a hearing on 4/9/03.

### **Approve Minutes of January 17, 2003 (joint meeting) and February 14, 2003**

**Motion:** Fanfelle moved, second by Harenda, to approve the joint meeting minutes of 1/17/03.

**Motion carried 7 - 0. Motion:** LaPorte moved, second by Harenda, to approve the minutes of 2/14/03. **Motion carried 7 - 0.**

### **Reconsider Minutes of January 31, 2003**

**Motion:** Harenda moved, second by Fanfelle, to reconsider the minutes of 1/31/03. **Motion carried 7 - 0. Motion:** Fanfelle moved, second by Harenda, to approve the minutes of 1/31/03 as corrected. **Motion carried 7 - 0.**

### **Correspondence**

1. Letter dated February 18, 2003 to Executive Finley from City of Pewaukee Administrator Harlan Clinkenbeard advising of the building of a joint Pewaukee Fire/Rescue Station with a police/firefighter training center on the WCTC campus adjacent to the current outdoor police and fire training area and fronting on CTH "SS".
2. Memo of February 21, 2003 from Director Bolte to Clerk of Courts Evenson regarding the remodeling project for asbestos abatement and courtrooms on the first and second floors of the courthouse.
3. October 2002 issue of Bureau of Justice Statistics Bulletin concerning "Census of State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies, 2000."
4. On-line article from American City & County (March issue) titled "Online system manages police officer training."

### **Executive Committee Report**

Stamsta reviewed items that were discussed and/or considered at the last meeting on 3/31/03.

Harenda left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

**Reports by Committee Member Liaisons**

County Board Supervisor Kathleen Cummings referred to Wis.Stats. 895.527 (Sport shooting range activities) which says “Any sport shooting range that exists on June 18, 1998, may continue to operate as a sport shooting range at that location notwithstanding any zoning ordinance enacted.” She said sport shooting ranges are actually protected by State Statute.

**Future Agenda Items by Committee Members**

Swan asked that a status update of the Justice Center be agendized.

**Future Meeting Dates**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 2, 2003. Cummings said she will be unable to attend the May 16 committee meeting.

**Motion to adjourn:** Fanfelle moved, second by LaPorte, to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 a.m. Motion carried 6 – 0. .

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Cummings  
Secretary

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